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1. SAUDI ARABIAN DELEGATION TO FUND/BANK MEETINGS WILL
BE COMPRISED OF FOLLOWING:

ABDULAZIZ AL-QURAISHI, GOVERNOR, SAMA

MANSOUR AL-TURKI, DEPUTY FINANCE MINISTER

AHMAD ABD-AL-LATIF, DIRECTOR, FOREIGN INVESTMENT DEPT., SAMA

DR. OMAR CHAPRA, SENIOR FOREIGN ADVISOR, SAMA.

DELEGATION ALSO UNDERSTOOD TO INCLUDE SAUDI REPRESENTATIVE
TO IMF IN WASHINGTON AND ANOTHER REPRESENTATIVE FROM
FINANCE MINISTRY.

2. EMBASSY DISCUSSION WITH SAMA OFFICIALS INDICATES THAT
SAG HAS NOT YET ADDRESSED QUESTIONS RAISED REFTEL. HOW-
EVER, SAMA OFFICER STATED MONETARY AGENCY HAS NO PARTICULAR
POINTS IT WISHES DISCUSSED AT MEETINGS. HE SAID TO BEST
OF HIS KNOWLEDGE, SAG INTENDED SIMPLY TO FOLLOW AGENDA
AS SET FORTH BY FUND/BANK SECRETARIAT.

3. COMMENT: PRESENCE OF QURAISHI AND AL-TURKI WOULD
OFFER OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE QUESTION OF U.S.-SAUDI TAX
TREATY, WHICH HAS BEEN MENTIONED BY TREASURY, AND SEEK
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AMPLIFICATION OF LANGUAGE RELATING TENDERS AND BIDS (SURETY

BONDING IN LIEU OF BANK GUARANTEES -- SEE JIDDA 5531).
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